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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Committee Members

FROM :

Special Assistant to the DDCI

SUBJECT : Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting,  
2 April 1980

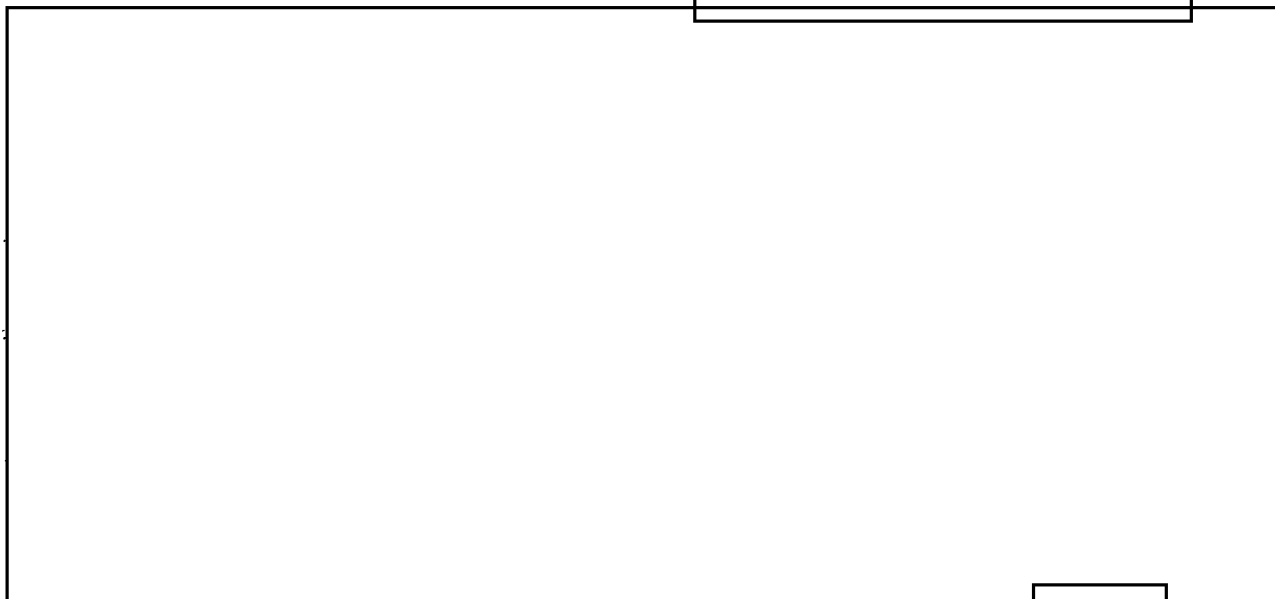
1. The Executive Committee met on 2 April 1980 to hear reports and consider the recommendations of two Committee-sponsored task forces, one on Release of Information to the Department of State and one on Release of Information to Foreign Liaison. Mr. Carlucci chaired the session; Messrs. McMahon (DDO), Wortman (DDA), Taylor (ADDS&T), Kerr (NFAC) and Lipton (Compt.) attended; and Messrs. Briggs (IG), [ ] (D/DCI/CT) and [ ] (D/OS) participated as observers. [ ]

2. [ ] Chairman of the task force on the Release of Information to the Department of State, outlined the purpose, methodology and conclusions of his group's study. He advised that the State/DDO relationship was an extensive and mutually beneficial one, but not one that created any major problem for NFAC. NFAC analytical views might sometimes not get the full attention they should, but this usually is a function of individual personal relationships rather than organizational problems. The Committee agreed that no further EXCOM action was required at this time, but NFAC and DDO should continue to work together to enhance their mutual awareness of each other's relationships and responsibilities towards external consumers. Two specific suggestions for doing so were having NFAC representatives participate in DDO Chiefs of Station meetings and encouraging more communication between NIOs and DDO Division Chiefs. [ ]

3. [ ] Chairman of the Foreign Liaison Task Force, reviewed the terms of reference and methodology of his group's study. He confirmed that foreign liaison information exchange was meeting Agency goals, but practices and procedures needed some tightening. Before turning to the task force's specific recommendations, the Committee members commended the group for its excellent report. Mr. Carlucci acknowledged that the need for tightening up practices and procedures relating to foreign liaison extended beyond the Agency, but Agency procedures needed to be addressed first before moving into the Community. Messrs. McMahon and [ ] discussed the best way to approach the problem in the Community and agreed that a draft DCID should be proposed. Some work is underway in this area, and Messrs. Carlucci, [ ] and McMahon agreed to meet on this topic separately. [ ]

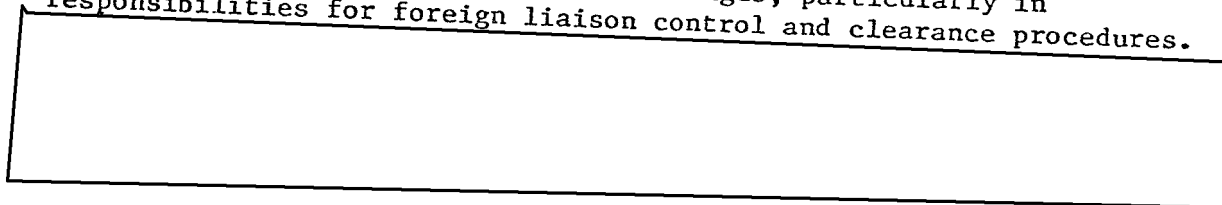
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5. The Committee approved Recommendation 3 on revising [redacted] to specify when NFAC and DDS&T need to coordinate cable traffic with the DDO country desk. Recommendation 4 was disapproved with the understanding that DDO and NFAC will be responsible for the joint coordination of foreign visitors to Headquarters. Recommendations 5 and 6 were approved with little discussion. Recommendation 7 was disapproved with the understanding that DDA, DDO and NFAC would examine the need for training employees returning from overseas assignments on policy and procedural changes, particularly in responsibilities for foreign liaison control and clearance procedures.

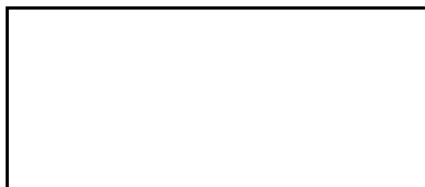
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6. Recommendations 9-12 were approved with little discussion. Regarding Recommendation 10, Mr. Wortman noted suitable space for secure foreign liaison conference rooms adjacent to secondary entrances had already been identified. Mr. Kerr reflected NFAC's view that requiring escorts for all foreign visitors as stated in Recommendation 13 would be seen as a slight by some foreign liaison representatives. After a brief discussion the Committee approved the recommendation. Recalling earlier comments regarding ground work begun on tackling the release of information to foreign liaison on a Community basis, the Committee noted that Recommendation 14 had been overtaken by events. Mr. Carlucci adjourned the meeting. [redacted]

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